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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EWWT, PFOR, SO, US

SUBJECT: CANCELLATION OF REGISTRATION OF SOMALI SHIPS

REF: MOGADISCIO 222

1. DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE REPORT ON PROGRESS TOWARD CANCELLATION OF REGISTRATION OF SHIPS UNDER SOMALI FLAG REPORTED REFTEL. CURRENT INFORMATION INDICATES AT LEAST FOUR SOMALI-FLAG VESSELS CALLED IN CUBA DURING MARCH 1975. NO REPORTS OF SIMILAR CALLS TO NORTH VIETNAM DURING THAT MONTH.

2. CURSORY CHECK OF LLOYDS' REGISTRY INDICATES THAT OF AT LEAST 15 VESSELS UNDER SOMALI FLAG IN JANUARY, ONLY ONE  
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HAD CHANGED REGISTRATION BY APRIL 6. PARA. 3 REFTEL SUGGEST-

ED THAT MOVE TO CANCEL CONTRACT WITH SODERI WOULD ELIMINATE  
SOMALIA FROM RANKS OF "FLAGS OF CONVENIENCE" STATES.  
CAN EMBASSY ESTIMATE HOW LONG THIS PROCESS LIKELY TO TAKE,  
SINCE PROOF THAT NORTH VIETNAM AND CUBA TRADE HAS BEEN  
TERMINATED IS ONE OF CONDITIONS PRECEDENT FOR RESUMPTION  
OF AID. KISSINGER

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